

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully submits that the above amendments to the claims is only for the purpose of canceling the claims that belong to the parent application No. 09/971,265 that were withdrawn from consideration after the Restriction Requirement dated January 14, 2003.

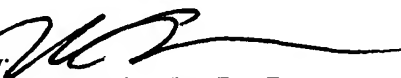
Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that his Preliminary Amendment be entered and the case be favorably considered.

Please charge any additional costs incurred by way of this Preliminary Amendment to KODA & ANDROLIA DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 11-1445.

Respectfully submitted,

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